

BODY OF MAN, WEIGHTED DOWN, FOUND IN RIVER

Jasper, Ala., Dec. 8.—A hand protruding above the surface of the water led to the discovery late yesterday of the body of a man in the Warrior river at Sanders Ferry, this county. An investigation by Coroner A. B. Long failed to reveal the identity of the man. The body was weighted

with a large stone attached by means of a tire chain. The coroner said an autopsy showed that the man had been slain with a blunt instrument and he had crashed the conclusion that the body had been driven to the ferry and tossed overboard. The body will be held at Jasper pending further efforts at identification.

HAS OIL BEEN FOUND IN COFFEE COUNTY?

Opp Weekly News says: An unauthenticated report says that oil has been discovered on the place of Mr. John Harrison and Mr. L. E. Morrell in Coffee County, about ten miles from Opp. The report says that an expert has been searching weeks and that he tried to buy Mr. Morrell's land. Just how much truth there is in the report we do not know as we were unable to verify the rumor we heard. Our information is so meager for us to say more than we have already said about the matter. We have tried to get in touch with the above named gentlemen but failed.

FAMILY OF 15 MOVES; TOWN CLOSING UP

George Fraire, who moved his wife and fifteen children from Hickory county to North Berne, Ohio, two years ago, thereby causing the census enumerator to change it from a hamlet to village, has literally wiped the place off the map by moving. Fraire operated a general store and was mayor and postmaster. Owing to the removal of his big family, North Berne now loses its postoffice and will receive its mail by rural delivery out of Lancaster. Petitions are being filed for Fraire's return.

WANTED—Man with car to sell low priced GRAHAM TIRES. \$136.00

per week and commissions. GRAHAM TIRE CO., 19 Boulevard, Grand Harbor, Mich.

SEAPLANE WRECKED BY GIANT BAY

Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 7.—While making a landing in Pensacola Bay Tuesday afternoon at a late hour, a seaplane carrying Lieut. J. Smith, of the Marine corps, and Lieut. J. O'Connor, and Machinist Mate Balke, hit a porpoise so hard that the plane was damaged beyond use and had to be towed back to the station. The porpoise came up to "blow" gas as the plane leveled off to hit the surface of the water.

PORPOISE IN PENSACOLA

Christmas Goods to Select From Galore

We have a beautiful line of sensible Christmas Gifts - Not trash - but something that will be appreciated, some of which follow-

- Ivory and Silver Toilet and Manicure sets.
- Beautiful Stationery from 35c to \$5.00.
- Perfume Sets, Mary Garden, Dier Kiss, Maves and other Big Sellers.
- Jewelry, Cut Glass and Odd pieces of Ivory.
- Dolls, Santa Claus left nearly all of his DOLLS here. 25c to \$5.00.
- CANDY We positively have the Biggest Stock of High Grade Candy ever shipped here and it is the Famous WHITMANS, none better from 10c to \$8.00.
- CIGARS IN XMAS PACKAGES

COME TO OUR STORE — DON'T GO AWAY FROM HOME TO BUY.

Mays-Whitman Drug Co.

Quality and Service

Holiday Sale

of Millinery and Ready to Wear

We are going to offer for One Day Only

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23rd

Our Entire Stock of Millinery and Ready-to-Wear, at prices that have never been heard of before in Elba.

Every hat in the house will go in this sensational sale. Hats priced at from \$3.00 to \$15.00, will be sold at this One Day Sale for, from \$1.00 to \$3.50

In our ready-to-wear department we will offer every Suit, Dress, Skirt and Sweater at exactly one-half the regular prices. These goods cannot be replaced at the price but we want to move them on this day.

Remember the date, Friday, December 23 ONE DAY ONLY. This sale will be for CASH strictly. Come let us show you what we have to offer.

CASH MILLINERY STORE

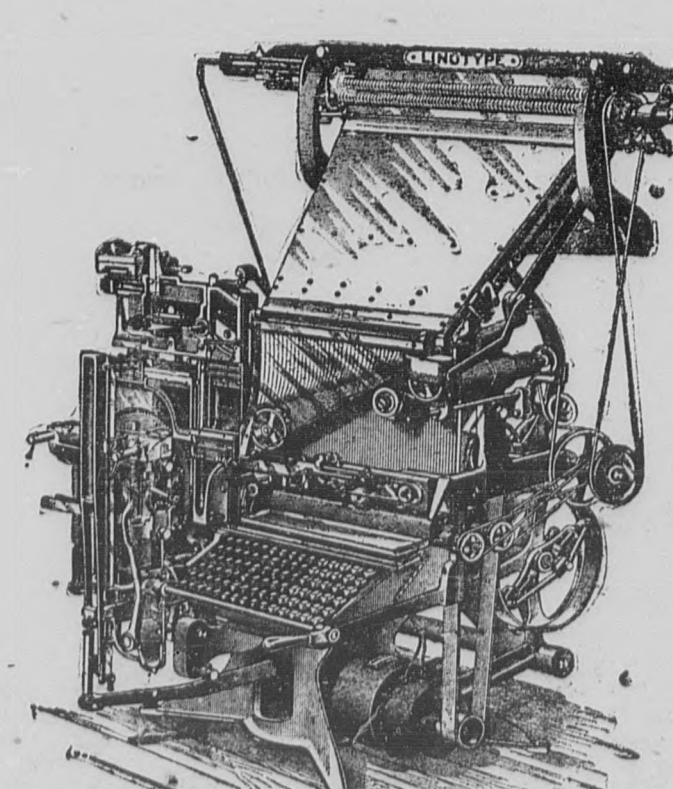
DEBATA BLOCKER, Elba, Ala.

South Side Square

The Clipper Job Department

Is in position to care for all orders with neatness and dispatch. Look into your stock NOW and if running short on anything, let us figure with you.

Telephone 149



That fluttering sensation near the heart trouble! Short breath, another sensation; inability to lie on the left side; pain in the heart, left side or between the shoulders; swollen feet and ankles; are danger signals.

Dr. Miles' Heart Treatment

has been used with wonderful success in all functional heart troubles for more than thirty years. Try a bottle today. Delays are dangerous. Your druggist sells Dr. Miles' Medicine.

NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

The next examination for teachers will be held in my office on Monday, December 19th. Applicants for second grade certificates must produce evidence that they have had two years of high school work, for first grade, four years of high school work. All applicants must be known to the examiner or produce evidence that they are of good moral character. Examination will begin at 9 A. M.

Grover C. Bowden, County Superintendent.

TROY-ELBA BUS LINE

Schedule

LEAVES ELBA 4:30 A. M., 12:30 P. M.

LEAVES TROY 8:00 A. M., 5:00 P. M.

Headquarters

BUS LINE CAFE—ELBA

—And—

NEW TROY HOTEL TROY

Hudson Service

Phones, day, 129

NIGHT, 202

BOUTWELL BROTHERS

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM WILL BE GIVEN AT CITY SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

On Thursday evening, December 22nd, promptly at 7:30 the Grammar Grades will give a Christmas program at the City School Auditorium. The proceeds will be used to purchase a much needed library for the City School. The teachers are making every effort possible to make this an evening of splendid entertainment for those who attend.

Admission: 15 and 25 cents. Be sure to come!

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

State of Alabama, Coffee County. In Circuit Court, In Equity. H. R. Adecek, Complainant, vs. Lillie Adecek, Respondent.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Register by Complainant that the Defendant is a non-resident of Alabama, and that her postoffice address is unknown, and further that in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is of the age of twenty-one years; it is therefore ordered by the register that publication be made in the Elba Clipper, a newspaper published in Elba, Alabama, once a week, for four consecutive weeks, requiring the said defendant, to plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause by the 18th day of January, 1921, or in thirty days thereafter a decree pro confesso may be taken against her.

Done at office in Elba this 13th day of December, 1920.

S. H. BROCK, Register.

We are now prepared to take phone orders for groceries. Phone 181.

Danley and Rudd.

Mrs. F. A. Symonds returned to her home in Elba last Friday from Tarboro, N. C., where she spent several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. I. L. McGhee.

Mrs. Olin Stagg and little daughter of Savannah, Ga., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Lee at Elba.

Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Coultate left last Friday for Daleville where they will make their home for the coming year. During their two years stay at Elba they have made many friends who wish for them much happiness and success in their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Amos returned from Montgomery on last Friday afternoon, where Mr. Amos has been working following his stroke of paralysis. Mr. Amos' many friends will be glad to hear that he is at home again, and that his condition is somewhat improved, and they trust that he may soon be well again.

Hon. W. O. Mulkey, of Geneva, attended court here last week.

Messrs. Leon Sellers and John Collins, of Troy, were visitors at Elba Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. W. Bancroft and Miss Julia Bancroft have been spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Cooper at Elba.

Mr. W. H. Vaughn, of Troy, was a visitor at Elba yesterday.

Miss Leila Bryan, of Brundidge, was a visitor at Elba Monday.

Attorney J. C. Fleming, of Enterprise, attended court at Elba the first of the week.

Hon. John H. Wilkerson, of Troy, was attending court at Elba Wednesday.

Tanaka's best advertising comes from people who have actually used it. Elba Drug Co.

We are still in market for chickens and eggs, giving best prices. Danley and Rudd.

HOSPITAL BURNS UP AT GULFPORT EARLY TUESDAY

Gulfport, Miss., Dec. 13.—The King's Daughters Infirmary, located on West Beach, Gulfport, was practically destroyed by fire early this morning. The flames were discovered about 8:30 o'clock in the nurses' department, and spread very rapidly. Twenty-five patients in the infirmary at the time of the fire were all moved to places of safety. A new brick building is now under construction for the infirmary and work will be rushed on this structure.

HATTEN NEGRO GETS 20 YEARS FOR ASSAULT ON WHITE WOMAN

In the Circuit Court here last week quite a number of cases on the criminal docket were disposed of. One of these cases was that of Frank Hatten, negro man, charged with an assault and attempt to rape on a white woman, Mrs. Betty Lott. In this case the negro plead guilty and was given an indeterminate sentence of nineteen years and eleven months to twenty years in the state penitentiary. The negro was brought into court and sentenced passed on him and he was carried away before the fact became generally known. Court officials decided that this would be the safest plan, as some feeling existed here although the crime was committed in the Northeastern part of the county and the details were not generally known. The negro was sentenced to the penitentiary and has already begun his sentence.

The crime for which the negro is sentenced was committed about the middle of July, on a farm on the plantation of County Commissioner J. T. Egerton. Mrs. Lott, the woman who was attacked by the negro, was about 60 years of age, and was a respectable woman. The negro was at work nearby her home and left his home and came to the house.

Lott was accused of attacking the face and neck. The negro was frightened from the house by his wife, who heard the screams of the white woman. A posse was formed in the community and a search which lasted for two days was started. The negro was tracked through fields and woods for several miles, but could not be overtaken. Finally a posse of citizens and several officers of Pike county, headed by Sheriff Reeves, apprehended this negro and he was carried away for safe keeping.

Among the cases disposed of last week were the following:

State vs. Hub McCard failure to work road. Defendant pleads guilty and is fined \$1.00.

State vs. John Matthews, failure to work road. Defendant pleads guilty and is fined \$1.00.

State vs. Math Walker, assault to murder. Defendant pleads guilty, and is fined \$10.00. Walker also pled guilty to carrying a concealed pistol and was fined \$50.00.

State vs. Tom Hudson, carrying concealed pistol. Jury verdict of guilty, and fined \$50.00. Hudson pled guilty to a charge of carrying language and was fined \$50.00.

State vs. Mollie Henderson, grand larceny. Plead guilty to petit larceny and was fined \$50.00.

State vs. Columbus Rhoades, assault and battery. Plead guilty and fined \$10.00.

State vs. Joe Abercrombie, V. P. L. Jury verdict of guilty and fined \$50.00.

State vs. Abb Downing assault to murder. Plead guilty and given indeterminate sentence of from 2 to 12 years.

Town of Elba vs. Jim Reddick, V. P. L., appealed from City Court. Jury verdict of guilty and fined \$25.00. In another case for the same offense there was a jury trial and verdict of not guilty.

Town of Elba vs. John Felton V. P. L., appealed. Jury verdict of guilty and fined \$50.00.

State vs. John Themes, bastardy. Judgment for defendant for want of jurisdiction.

State vs. Sam Parker violating game and fish laws. Jury verdict of not guilty.

State vs. Ekker Kelley, C. C. P. Jury verdict of not guilty.

State vs. Freeman Lewis V. P. L. Jury verdict of not guilty.

State vs. Marion Hutchison, violating auto law. Jury verdict of not guilty.

Town of Elba vs. C. H. Conner, Appeal. Jury verdict of not guilty.

Town of Elba vs. Joe Jernigan, Appeal. Jury verdict of not guilty.

Mrs. W. B. Helms, of Dothan, was a visitor to relatives near Elba for several days last week.

We are still in market for chickens and eggs, giving best prices. Danley and Rudd.

MR. TALBOT LOSES HOME AND CONTENTS BY FIRE

Fire on last Friday about noon totally destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. (Pete) Talbot, near Aucus. Only a few pieces of the personal effects of the family were saved.

Mr. Talbot was at Elba at the time of the fire serving on the jury. As soon as he received news of the fire he went to the scene to be with his family. The fire originated in the roof of the house and spread for two or three days, and when discovered by members of the family had gained great headway. Before neighbors could get in the whole house was practically in flames. Mr. Talbot says he does not know how the fire started.

The house was a very large one and one of the nicest country homes in this section. A house just back of the dwelling which was used as a storage house was also destroyed, and with it burned about three bales of cotton in the seed and a quantity of new syrup in cans. Neighbors succeeded in saving some meat stored in the building. Mr. Talbot says he will rebuild his home just as soon as the lumber can be cut at his mill. His many friends, deeply sympathetic with them in their loss.

FAMOUS CRIMINAL ALMOST ESCAPES FROM TROY JAIL

Troy, Ala., Dec. 19.—Lawrence Riddick, the young white man who has had a sensational career in burglary and also one in making escapes from jail narrowly missed escaping another thriller to his list when the sheriff and officers relieved him Sunday night of a key that he had mistakenly carried from a broom closet into a safety razor blade.

Riddick is now in the Pike county jail for the theft of a Stutz automobile several months ago. He was recently brought back to Troy from Indiana. Knowing his aptitude for escaping, the officers are watching him very carefully. Sunday morning when an officer went into his cell to see Riddick, he found a key in the blanket of his cell. He immediately examined it and found a wooden key perfectly carved, every notch exact replica of the iron key of the cell. The key was tried by the officer and fitted perfectly, but broke in trying to turn the heavy iron key. Riddick admitted that he had carved it out of a piece of broom handle with a safety razor blade and that he intended to take a Christmas holiday. He told the officers if he could only get a piece of steel and a file he would be out of jail in six hours.

PHILIP LEE GETS ANOTHER PROMOTION

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Lee have just received a letter from their son, Philip, bearing the good news that he has again been promoted by the Atlantic Coast Line Railway. For several months he has been traveling freight agent, with headquarters at Albany, Ga. Now he has been promoted to Commercial Agent and will have headquarters at Nashville, Tenn.

Philip is a splendid young man, and since starting to work with the Coast Line less than two years ago has been promoted four or five times. He is now a first class agent and is glad to learn of his promotion.

HARDING MAY GIVE ANOTHER NEGRO A GOVERNMENT JOB

Washington, December 18.—In defeating Henry Lincoln Johnson, negro, Georgia national committee man, the Senate might have jumped from the frying pan into the fire, for it is generally understood that President Harding will select another negro for recorder of deeds in the District of Columbia.

The negro under consideration is Charles J. Anderson, of New York, former collector of revenue in New York under Roosevelt and Taft.

When it became known that the President would appoint Johnson, the young ladies in the office of the recorder of deeds protested against the apparent necessity of them working under a negro. The ladies hailed from all states of the union and were affiliated with both major political parties.

The President it is understood, holds that he must honor some negro who he would be less offensive were he to permit his appointee to serve in Washington.

Misses Jeannette Garrett and Folia Coston, who are teaching at Fairbairn, arrived at Elba for the holidays.

Mr. Milford Emerson, son of County Commissioner J. T. Egerton, was a visitor at Elba last Friday. He has been located at Belle Elba, Ala., for some time and was down for a visit to his father's family.

Messrs. Reynolds Smart and J. Oscar Johnson, of Brundidge were visitors at Elba Sunday.

Miss Ethel Shooley is spending a few days at Brundidge.

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WILL CLOSE BUSINESS HOUSES MONDAY TO TAKE HOLIDAY

We the undersigned, agree to close our place of business, Monday December 26th, to enjoy a Christmas holiday.

Clark Mercantile Company, Lindsey & Son, Armour Mercantile Company, W. C. Boutwell, Bonneau-Jeter Hardware Co., Ellis Mercantile Company, Ham & Taylor, English Bros. Co., H. J. Clark, W. I. English & Sons, Variety Store, Morrow Hardware Company, W. P. Springs, Young's Barber Shop, F. A. Devane, White & Company, E. F. Blocher, Vaughn & Kendrick, E. L. Harper, C. E. Lindsey, J. O. Farris, City Barber Shop, Rainer Hardware Company.

GRAND JURY ADJOURNED FRIDAY, 22 TRUE BILLS RETURNED

Elba, Ala., December 16, 1921. To the Honorable A. B. Foster, Judge of said Court.

We, this Grand Jury, empaneled by your Honor at the present term, beg leave to report as follows:

There have been 111 presentments made to us which we have carefully investigated except Nos. 63, 65, 48, 78, 108, 109, 110, 111 which we ask may be continued on our docket. We return herewith indictments in such cases as we deem proper.

There have been an unusually large number of presentments, and from this fact it might be inferred that crime was on the increase, but we do not think so. A large number of these presentments were of a frivolous, inspired by malice, or not of sufficient public importance as to justify the returning of indictments against the individuals charged. Many of these presentments came from the Courts of Justices of the Peace, and while we have no special complaint to make against any of these officers, and commend most of their work, yet we wish to call their attention to the law respecting the issuing of warrants, which requires that before issuing the same the officer must from the evidence presented to him have probable cause to believe that an offense has been committed. A full compliance with this provision of the law by the several Justices of the Peace would likely keep down at least some of the frivolous matters that otherwise would find their way into the courts, and be a saving in time, expense, inconvenience, etc.

Each of our time has been consumed by the investigation of the disappearance of some negro from the Court House which occurred on the night of February 18th last. The loss of these records and papers has been a severe blow to the County, and has necessarily thrown public affairs into a state of confusion and unrest. It has caused much trouble, expense and inconvenience to many of our citizens, and we, other citizens in the history of the County has affected directly so many of our people. The apprehension and conviction of the person or persons who committed this crime is of great importance and to this end we have devoted an unusual amount of time and our best efforts. We have examined many witnesses and done all that we could do to ferret out the crime. We have subpoenaed every person whose name has been suggested to us who it was thought might be able to give information on the subject.

Our investigation shows that the Tax Assessor and Tax Collector are small for their uses, and that it was from this office that most of the records were stolen; in fact, all the records except the 1921 assessment books which were in the Grand Jury room, the Tax Assessor using this room in order that he might have more space and better facilities to sort and assemble these sheets in proper order. Evidence was in conflict as to whether this room was kept locked when the assessor or his deputy was out, but considerable evidence was to the fact that it was not kept locked. A part of the records stolen from the office of the Assessor and Collector should have been properly kept in the custody of the Judge of Probate, but we do not know whether they had ever been delivered to him.

The last Grand Jury had under consideration this same matter and recommended that all the county officers be especially careful in the matter of safeguarding the records in their keeping, and we wish now to emphasize that recommendation. We do this, not that we see anything to complain of, but in order to lessen the chances for the County to have a repetition of the offense which we have under our investigation. We are glad to say that all the officers seem to be doing the best they can in this regard with the facilities that have been furnished them. Most of these officers have no safe place to keep their records and papers, and we recommend that the Commissioners look into this matter and provide as early as possible means whereby at least the assessment books and records may be kept in a safe place.

A committee of our body visited for in a patient and painstaking manner the several officers of the County, and we report that so far as they

BUILDING NEW BRICK HOUSE FOR A GARAGE

Work has been in progress for several days on the new brick building for Boutwell Brothers on the site on Claxton street where their garage and repair shop is now located.

The new building will be 32 1/2 feet wide and 98 feet in length, and will be completed as soon as practical. New equipment will be put in to the plant when the new building is completed and this popular concern will be in position to better care for their customers needs.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ward, of Opp visited relatives at Elba the first of the week.

Dr. and Mrs. J. C. McLeod, of Opp, were guests of Elba relatives Sunday.

BUFFALO SWEEP BY NINETY-FIVE MILE GALE SUNDAY; ONE LIFE IS LOST

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 18.—A 95-mile-an-hour gale swept the city today, uprooting trees, tearing down chimneys smashing plate glass windows and piling up the water in the harbor to an unprecedented stage. One man was killed in the storm. The damage throughout the city was great, but heaviest losses occurred along the waterfront, where a three-foot wireless tower at demolition, lost houses and small docks were swept away and several hundred pleasure crafts were smashed or carried down the river.

The property loss will run into hundreds of thousands of dollars.

A window latch torn from the top of a business block fell on a Keifer, one of the two occupants, and injuring the other seriously. The automobile with both occupants unconscious, ran about a block before it stopped and crashed into a store front.

Two women were caught under a falling tree on Porter avenue, near the water front. One of them, Miss Margaret Cochran, sustained both legs broken. Her sister, Katherine, was internally injured and firemen had to cut away part of the tree trunk before she could be released.

The wind, blowing from the southwest directly down Lake Erie filled up the water until Bird Island pier and Square Island were almost completely submerged. Nearly 100 squatter's shanties were carried out into Niagara river. Their occupants were rescued by police, firemen and the coast guard crew.

Three ferry boats used in the service between Buffalo and Port Erie were piled up on the rocks between the river and the canal.

Feet above normal, flooding the large lumber yards there and carrying thousands of feet of timber into the river and over Niagara falls. A dredge anchored on Grand Island began to drift toward the falls, but managed to find anchorage by digging its steel dipper into the mud on the river bed.

Belted has such a volume of water poured over the brink of the Niagara cataract as today. The waters of Lake Erie crowded into the Niagara river, which are swirling down there usually there are only a few scant inches. Such floods pouring over the precipice that the pier in front of the Maid of the Mist was submerged.

Many islands just above the falls were submerged for the first time in years. Great property damage was done on the upper river between Falls and the Niagara Falls on riverside boat houses and motorboats. One estimate of the property loss there is \$300,000. No loss of life was reported. All the large lake boats here weathered the storm. Some dragged their anchors, but none was beached.

HUNTSVILLE MEN HURT IN A FIGHT. FIVE GIRLS ARE IN JAIL

Huntsville, Ala., Dec. 19.—WHI Ricketts, proprietor of a local cafe is fatally wounded; Fred Mutterer, mercantile clerk and son of a local merchant is in a dying condition, and five girls are in jail charged with murder and assault with intent to murder as the result of a free for all fight here last night.

The women in the case are Jessie Echols, Trixie Riner, June Daw, Nellie West and Jewel Earle, alias Florence Bridges.

It is said that Ricketts and Mutterer went to the house occupied by the women and while in the drunken condition demanded entrance and when refused admitted it is said the men began to beat down the doors.

The girls, it is said, then opened fire, Ricketts being shot twice through the abdomen, twice through the head and once in the arm. Mutterer was shot once through the stomach and also in the head. Ricketts lived until this morning. Mutterer's condition is critical.

The girls thus far have declined to make a statement.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Amos, Miss Mary Amos and Mr. Claude Conner were visitors at Montgomery Sunday and Monday.

Messrs. H. C. Johnson and Y.W. Rainer were visitors at Montgomery the first of the week.

POOR ORIGINAL BLEED THROUGH

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

I hereby announce my candidacy for Sheriff of Coffee County, subject to the action of the next Democratic primary, to be held in August, 1922.

Yours for service,
Aug. 1650-tlaw C. C. PFAUCKER.
(Paid political advertisement by C. C. Pfaucker, New Brockton, Ala.)

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Coffee County, Alabama, subject to the action of the Democratic primary, to be held next August. I will be grateful to the voters, both ladies and men, for your vote and support and if elected, will discharge the office to the best of my ability.

D. J. STEPHENS.
(Paid political advertisement by D. J. Stephens, New Brockton, Ala.)

THREE KILLED WHEN MASKED BAND VISITS OKLAHOMA TOWN

Ardmore, Okla., Dec. 17.—Seven men were being held under guard here tonight in connection with a trifle slaying which resulted in the death of a band of masked men to the home of Joseph Smith at Wilson Oklahoma, Thursday night.

The dead are Carroll and John Smith, of Wilson, and C. C. Sims, an Ardmore patrolman. It was believed that Carroll and Smith were slain during a pistol fight with a band of masked men who had gone to the Carroll home with the intent of robbing the Carroll family who had been accused of being a bootlegger.

The body of Sims, who had died from a pistol wound, was found at an outlying spot said to have been used by members of the Ku Klux Klan for a meeting place. Sims was not garbed in any sort of uniform. Several masks were found on the ground at his side.

Among those held in jail charged with the shooting were the Rev. Leon Julius, a Baptist minister of Hixson; John Smith, a butcher; J. A. Gilliam, stock raiser; Jeff Smith, and Curley Smith, both of Wilson.

Later today Sheriff Buck Garrett received a letter signed "Clan No. 7, Ardmore, Okla.," declaring that an attempt would be made to take the "Smith boys" from jail.

SHIND FARMING SYSTEM IS DISMISSED BY MEMPHIS CONFERENCE

A most important conference of cotton growers, dealers, business men and bankers has just concluded in Memphis, and its recommendations

to the cotton States is worth serious study by every county and every individual engaged in producing from the soil. In brief, the unanimous recommendation was:

That every farm produce enough food and feed stuffs to make it self-sustaining; that every farmer be urged to add in making an independent home living through the utilization of the products of at least one cow, a sow, two dozen hens and a rooster; that cotton acreage be made a secondary consideration to the food and feed supply, and that bankers, credit merchants and land owners be urged to assist the conferees in carrying out the plans outlined, and that they pledge their aid in encouraging farmers to make a living at home by granting liberal loans to assist needy farmers to purchase a cow, a sow and some hens and a rooster, and to cooperate with farmers and farm organizations in every way to procure a fair cash market for all farm crops other than cotton as well as cotton.

If the bankers, the furnishing merchants, and the business men generally will adopt that suggestion and out of their better business experience and judgment aid the farmers they know to go on such a basis, the South will enter upon a vital and enduring prosperity. Otherwise we will continue to be the victims of vicissitudes for which we as a people suffer to continue for lack of cooperation and common sense.

Birmingham News.

ARMY ENGINEERS SEEK RESUME OF WORK WHILE WAITING FOR FORD PROPOSITION

Washington, Dec. 16.—The chief of the United States Army Engineering Corps today took the initiative in the water power development at Muscle Shoals, with the proposal that the work be resumed there while the government continues to mark time in consideration of Henry Ford's purchase offer.

In his annual report the engineer chief recommends the expenditure of several million, five hundred thousand dollars during the coming fiscal year in resuming work at Muscle Shoals.

He also recommended that there be no modification of the original project.

He reported that the cessation of work on this project is costing the government thirty thousand dollars per month, and that all available funds will be exhausted by next August.

The chief of the engineers also recommends that the work be confined to the completion of the coffer dam at the locks and the continuation of work on the dam and power house.

He further recommends the spending of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars for improvements of the locks and the dredging of the Tennessee river in the Memphis district and the renovation of the locks and dams on the Cumberland river.

He urged the dredging of the Tennessee river below Revere, to the completion of the locks at Widows' Bar Lock on the Tennessee river for the improvement of the Sister Islands and Clotas Shoals and recommended the expenditure of seven hundred and fifty dollars on the Mobile harbor, and one hundred and fifty-four thousand on the Black Warrior and Tombigbee rivers.

A HOT TIME

An exchange is responsible for the following "joke" taken your spite out on it:

He was young and had just started as a "printer's devil." The paper was late and in making up the forms he got the obituary of a citizen mixed with a news item of a fire. The result was: "As the body was lowered into the flames there were few expressions of regret. The old wreck had long been an eyesore to the town. Of course there was an individual loss but this was fully covered by insurance."

The widow still maintains the edifice and it is on purpose, as the deceased owed five years subscription.

A PROCLAMATION

Executive Department, Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 16, 1921.

WHEREAS, the Legislature of Alabama, at a special session held in the year 1921, proposed a certain amendment to the Constitution of Alabama, which is herein set forth, and ordered an election to be held thereon on the first Monday after the expiration of three months from and after the final adjournment of said session, which will be Monday, the 30th day of January, 1922;

AND WHEREAS, notice of such election, together with the proposed amendment, is required by law to be given, that, acting under the authority of said mortgage I will, within the legal hours of sale, in front of the Court House of said Coffee County, in the town of Elba, in said county, on Thursday, the 29th day of December, 1921, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash the real estate conveyed in said mortgage and which is situated in said Coffee County and described as follows, to-wit:

The North half of the South East quarter of the North East quarter of the South half of the North East quarter of North East quarter of the South West quarter of the South West quarter of Section two (2), all in Township five (5) Range twenty-one (21), containing in the aggregate 140 acres, more or less, lying the same lands on which the said Stock C. Berry resided at the time of the execution of said mortgage.

The proceeds derived from said sale will be applied to the balance due and in the manner provided for in said mortgage.

Done this 7th day of December, 1921.

A. G. KING,
Sander & Brunson,
Attorneys for Mortgagee.

A PROCLAMATION

Executive Department, Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 16, 1921.

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"Section 184. No person who honorably served in the military or naval service of the United States between January 1, 1917, and November 11, 1918, shall be required to pay the poll tax mentioned in the Constitution of Alabama prior to October 1, 1923; such persons shall be exempt from the payment of all poll taxes which have or may hereafter be levied prior to October 1, 1923. This section shall be self-executing and retroactive."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, at the Capitol, in the City of Montgomery, this 16th day of November, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-one.

THOS. E. KILBY,
Governor.

By the Governor:
WM. F. COBB,
Secretary of State.

"Where," asked the female surrogate, "would you be today were it not for woman?" She paused a moment and looked around the hall. "I repeat," she said, "where would you be today were it not for woman?" "He'd be in the Garden of Eden, eating strawberries," answered a voice from the gallery.—Ex.

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MORTGAGE SALE NOTICE

Whereas, Mack C. Berry and wife do hereby execute and deliver to me, the undersigned A. G. King, their Mortgage, dated, to-wit: May 10, 1919, and recorded in the Probate Office of Coffee County, Alabama, in Record Book R-43 at age 44, to which said record of said mortgage reference is here made as the contract thereof, and whereas, the principal and interest notes secured by said mortgage maturing the first of December of the years 1920 and 1921 were not paid at maturity, and default continuing, I, the undersigned, acting under the authority of said mortgage, declare all of the principal notes secured by said mortgage, together with the interest thereon, to be immediately due and payable, and whereas default was made in the payment thereof and such default continuing, notice is hereby given, that, acting under the authority of said mortgage I will, within the legal hours of sale, in front of the Court House of said Coffee County, in the town of Elba, in said county, on Thursday, the 29th day of December, 1921, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash the real estate conveyed in said mortgage and which is situated in said Coffee County and described as follows, to-wit:

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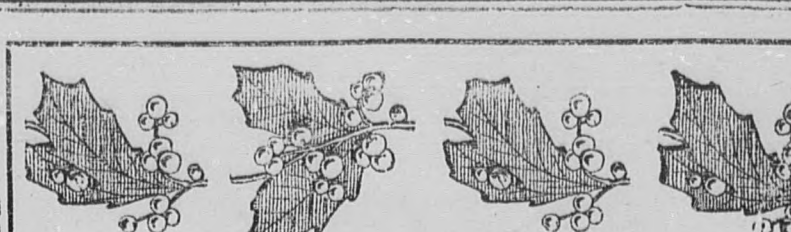
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KILBY IS FIRST LIVING AMERICAN TO HAVE PORTRAIT PLACED ON U. S. COIN

Governor Thomas E. Kilby of Alabama is the first living American to have his portrait reproduced on an authorized official piece of the United States currency. On the Alabama Centennial half-dollar authorized by act of congress, many of which have already been circulated throughout the state and country, a profile likeness of Governor Kilby appears side by side with that of William W. Bibb, Alabama's first governor.

When attention was first called to the fact that the government mint had for the first time, reproduced, in stamping the Alabama Centennial half-dollar, the likeness of an American who is still living, there were some doubters.

All of these doubts were swept aside Thursday, however, in a letter received by Mrs. Marie E. Owen director of the department of archives and history, from Frea Styer superintendent of the government mint at Philadelphia, Pa. In the letter, Mr. Styer confirmed the fact that Alabama's present governor is the first living man whose likeness has ever appeared on an official coin or stamp of the government of the United States.

This fact is all the more interesting when it is recalled that just after the late Theodore Roosevelt retired after serving his second term as president of the United States a movement was started for the coinage of a "Roosevelt penny" which movement was subsequently abandoned. The reason for its failure, it is understood, was the fact that since the founding of the republic it had been the rule never to put a stamp or a coin upon the portrait of a citizen of the United States who was still living.—Advertiser.

EGRO IS BEATEN TO DEATH AT ECLECTIC

Wetumka, Ala., Dec. 14.—Will Tucker and Lacy Johnson negroes from the Eclectic Ala. community are in the Elmore county jail here charged with killing a negro from Montgomery whose name was not named here. The negro it is claimed as set upon at Eclectic Tuesday night beating so severely that he died from it. He is said to have been employed as a chauffeur for a traveling man representing a Montgomery wholesale house.

EGRESS STABS HER HUSBAND TO DEATH AND BURNS HOUSE

Indianola, Miss., Dec. 14.—Oscar Bolden, colored, an employee of a local barber shop, was stabbed to death by his wife, Georgia Bell Bolden, late Thursday night and then set fire to the house, the negro and building being consumed by the flames.

This occurred at their home near Indianola, Miss., about 12 o'clock last night. The negro and his wife had attended a concert earlier in the evening and had quarreled there, leaving the concert before it was over, according to Grell Taylor, colored, who accompanied them home, they quarreled on the way home yet there was nothing more than a passing quarrel expected to result in the arrest of a prominent man.

Yacht Yields Boze.

St. Andrews, Fla., Dec. 13.—The yacht Glendower, which burned and sank in Pensacola Bay off Black Point Heights, gave up approximately 580,000 worth of liquors when raised here under the direction of William A. deputy collector of customs of Pensacola.

The Glendower, of New Orleans was burned last week when one of the crew struck a match in the galley of the yacht, gasoline fumes igniting. The cargo of contraband revealed a quantity of fine liquors and champagne, which is being transferred to the government dredge Cactus at St. Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Ruid, of St. Andrews, is spending the Xmas holidays with Elba relatives.

MONEY MEANS NOTHING TO HIM

A Kentucky farm hand suddenly gave his income jump from \$1 a day and his income to \$50 a day on account of the discovery of oil on a piece of otherwise worthless land which he owned. A newspaper dispatch states that he has refused to give up his job, but continues to work from sunrise till sundown as a farm hand. He puts his \$50 day in a bank and lives on \$1 a day. There is no ready explanation of the strange conduct except that he is just that kind of a man. He probably hasn't been able to think of anything but the money he has found. But it seems to us that he might at least have bought a bunch of bananas out of his surplus. We are satisfied that he never felt able to buy all the bananas he could eat.—Advertiser.

CONGRESSMAN ENDS LIFE IN POTOMAC

Washington, Dec. 15.—The body of Representative John A. Elston, of California, was found floating in the Potomac river late today. A note found in the congressman's coat, said he was caught in "a chain of circumstances which spelled ruin."

Mr. Elston it was said tonight disappeared Tuesday morning but was found by detectives that evening. Within a few hours, however, he again disappeared and that was the last seen of him. It is believed that he plunged into the river late that night. He apparently had been suffering under mental depression, although he had given no evidences of it until he disappeared Tuesday. Upon being found that evening he was given medical attention.

Failure of the government to undertake extensive development of the Alameda, California, naval base project was understood to have been a cause of great concern to him, as he had from the first given close attention to this proposed development. Whether other matters pertaining to his district had also weighed upon his mind could not be said tonight, although it was asserted that he had decided not to stand for re-election next fall.

Mr. Elston's hat and overcoat were found on the bank of the river about the time the body was recovered. The note found on the body said:

"I am in a chain of circumstances that spell ruin although my wife was innocently made in the beginning. I hope all the facts come out. My stay means embarrassment to my district and to a worthy people clean and generous."

Mr. Elston was elected to congress as a republican from the sixth California district and had been a member of the house since the sixtieth congress. He was born in Worland, California, February 10, 1875. In 1899 he was admitted to the California bar and practiced law in Berkeley until in 1903 when he became Secretary to Governor Pardee. Later he was selected as attorney for the California State Board of Health, and was a trustee of the California Institute for deaf and blind. He was a member of the Delta Upsilon and Phi Kappa Psi colleges fraternities. He is survived by a widow and four children.

HELMES TOOK SHOT AT WALLACE LANSFORD

Samson Ledger says: Thursday evening Leamon Helms, a white man living on the place of Mr. Lansford, southwest of Samson, fired a load of shot at Wallace Lansford, son of his landlord.

According to Mr. Lansford Helms and young Lansford had previously had some words, and when Wallace was sent to the tenant's house to get a bale of hay, young Helms fired at him, the charge riddling Lansford's coat but missed him.

A warrant was sworn out for Helms and on Tuesday he was bound over to the grand jury.

Mr. Lansford said that he had been trying to get Helms off the place, and that unpleasantness had resulted.

STUDENT TAKEN UP ON CHARGE OF MURDERING MAN

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 17.—C. W. Favors, law student in the office of Horace C. Alford, was arrested Saturday on a charge of murder in connection with the killing on November 22 of Sam Feagin, young merchant, in Seventh Alley, North, near Seventeenth street.

A warrant charging Favors with murder was sworn out by Coroner J. D. Ransom immediately upon conclusion of a hearing Saturday morning at the time of the killing Favors was living at 708 North Seventeenth Street, next to the ally. His room overlooked the spot where Feagin's body was found.

The law student was brought before the coroner after an extended investigation by the coroner and the Garwright National Detective Agency, which had been retained by relatives of the dead man.

Favors denies guilt. In a statement to the coroner, he said he was in bed when he heard a shot fired in the ally. He says he went to the window and seeing a body lying at the mouth of the ally, dressed and went out. He is quoted as admitting he had seen Feagin who roomed at 704 North Seventeenth street, but claimed that the acquaintance was slight.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

State of Alabama, Coffee County. In Circuit Court, In Equity.

H. B. Adeock, Complainant, vs. Little Adeock, Respondent.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Register by Complainant that the Defendant is a non-resident of Alabama, and that her postoffice address is unknown, and further that in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant, is of the age of twenty-one years; it is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Elba Clipper, a newspaper published in Elba, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring her, the said defendant, to plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause by the 16th day of January, 1922, or in thirty days thereafter a decree pro confesso may be taken against her.

Done at office in Elba this 13th day of December, 1921.

S. H. BROCK, Register.

TROY-ELBA BUS LINE

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WORK STARTS SOON ON TUSKEGEE NEGRO FEDERAL HOSPITAL

Washington, December 1.—In order to assist in relieving the unemployment situation, Col. Edward Clifford, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, announced today that the treasury department would immediately undertake construction work on various hospitals to the amount of \$14,762,000. Among the largest hospitals on which work will be begun are the new Federal Hospital for the California bar and practiced law in Berkeley until in 1903 when he became Secretary to Governor Pardee. Later he was selected as attorney for the California State Board of Health, and was a trustee of the California Institute for deaf and blind. He was a member of the Delta Upsilon and Phi Kappa Psi colleges fraternities. He is survived by a widow and four children.

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